



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (16-13) VS. LOS ANGELES ANGELS (17-13)

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017 – TEMPE DIABLO STADIUM – 1:05 P.M. MST
A'S WEBCAST

ABOUT THE A'S: Have lost three of the last four games but are 16-13 (.552) overall, which is the third best record in the Cactus League behind the Mariners (19-13) and the Angels (17-13)...the 16 wins are four more than last spring when Oakland went 12-17-3 (.422)...that was the fifth worst record in the CL...it marked the first time the A's finished Spring Training with a losing record since 2011 when they went 12-21-1...rank second in the CL in on-base percentage (.363), tied for third in walks (124) and fourth in batting (.284), slugging (.475) and triples (11)...however, have the second fewest stolen bases (13)...have turned just 21 double plays, which is tied for the fewest in the CL...have a 5.54 ERA, which is third highest in the CL...are 9-7 at Hohokam and 7-6 on the road...this is the A's 49th Spring Training in Arizona, their third since returning to Mesa in 2015 after a 36-year absence...after training in Bradenton, Florida in 1968, the A's came west to Arizona in 1969 and trained in Mesa from 1969-78...moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and then spent 33 seasons at Phoenix Municipal Stadium from 1982-2014...are scheduled to play 34 games this spring plus an exhibition game against Italy's World Baseball Classic club...the total includes 31 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 30-April 1).

YESTERDAY: The A's lost to Kansas City at Hohokam, 10-3...Andrew Triggs started for Oakland and took the loss, allowing eight runs on eight hits in 3.2 innings (2 bb, 4 so)...John Axford recorded the final out of the fourth inning but Ryan Dull allowed a run in the fifth before Daniel Coulombe tossed 3.0 scoreless innings (1 h, 1 bb)...the A's scored their first run in the first inning when Rajai Davis led off the game with a triple and scored on a Jed Lowrie ground out...Matt Chapman homered to lead off the fourth and B.J. Boyd added a RBI single in the ninth inning to complete the A's scoring...Boyd and Josh Phegley had two hits each.

A's vs. ANGELS: This is the second and final meeting between the A's and Angels this spring...Oakland lost the first game in Mesa on Feb. 26, 5-3...last year, the A's lost all three spring games with the Angels, losing at Tempe on March 3 (8-2) and March 22 (6-5) and in Mesa on March 25 (11-3)...went 3-0 against the Angels in 2015.

PLAYER NOTES: **Yonder Alonso** homered twice last Thursday against Milwaukee for his fourth two-hit game of the spring...is 15-for-37 (.405) with four home runs and 12 RBI over his last 15 games...ranks second in the Cactus League in on-base percentage (.500), fourth in slugging (.698), tied for fourth in walks (11) and fifth in batting (.372)...is batting .355 (33-for-93) over the last two springs...**Mark Canha** has played center field in five of his last six games and six times overall...also has six games in right field and three in left field...**Matt Chapman (NR)** homered for the second time in his last three games yesterday against Kansas City and is 4-for-10 (.400) with a double, two home runs and four RBI over that span...is tied for fifth in the CL in triples (2)...**Khris Davis** is 7-for-21 (.333) over his last seven games after going 2-for-15 (.133) over his first six contests...**Rajai Davis** has hit safely in each of his last eight games (9-for-25, .360) after going 5-for-24 (.208) over his first nine contests...has four stolen bases in his last seven games and six for the spring, which is tied for second in the CL...**Jaff Decker (NR)** went 1-for-3 yesterday against Kansas City in his first games since March 17 (oblique)...has appeared in nine games in center field, seven in left field and two in right field...**Ryon Healy** hit a two-run home run last Friday against Chicago (AL) and now has 16 RBI, which ranks third in the CL...those are the most RBI by an Athletic during the spring since 2010 when Kevin Kouzmanoff also had 16...also ranks tied for fourth in the CL in home runs (5), sixth in slugging (.686) and tied for ninth in total bases (35)...is 8-for-26 (.308) with two doubles and three home runs over his last nine contests...has appeared in eight games at first base, five at designated hitter and five at third base...**Matt Joyce** walked three times Sunday against Cincinnati and now has 14 walks for the spring, which is tied for the Major League lead (DeShields, TEX and Rickard, BAL)...those are the most walks by an Athletic during the spring since Daric Barton had 22 in 2010...is 2-for-21 (.095) with eight walks over his last nine games...**Ryan Lavarney (NR)** is 5-for-14 (.357) in 10 games since returning from the World Baseball Classic...started all six games for Israel in the WBC and hit .444 (8-for-18) with five walks, two doubles, one home run and six RBI...earned Pool A MVP honors after going 5-for-9 (.556) with four walks, a home run and three RBI in three games in Seoul...**Jed Lowrie** is 10-for-31 (.323) over his last 10 games after going 2-for-10 (.200) over his first five contests...**Chris Parmelee (NR)** is 7-for-17 (.412) with five walks, four doubles and six RBI over his last seven games after going 0-for-4 over his previous five contests...has appeared in 13 games in right field, six at first base and three in left field...**Josh Phegley** is 6-for-16 (.375) over his last five games after going 3-for-19 (.158) over his first nine contests...**Trevor Plouffe** has four straight multiple hit games and is 8-for-11 (.727) with six runs scored and five RBI over that span...is tied

for 10th in the CL in runs (12)...is batting .402 (37-for-92) with six home runs and 25 RBI in 33 games over the last two springs...**Adam Rosales** is 1-for-9 (.111) over his last three games and is batting .211 overall...has appeared in 11 games at shortstop and five at second base...**Marcus Semien** is 2-for-20 (.100) over his last eight games after hitting safely in each of his previous four contests (6-for-11, .545)...**Stephen Vogt** is 8-for-28 (.286) with six doubles and seven RBI over his last 10 games...**Joey Wendle** has not played since March 7 (right shoulder)...is 2-for-6 (.333) over his last two games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first five.

IN CAMP: The A's have 36 players in camp...the total includes 30 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and six non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, three catchers, nine infielders and six outfielders...began the spring with 70 players in camp, which were the A's most players in camp since 1982 when they had 78 (35 roster, 43 non-roster).

THE STARTING ROTATION: A's manager Bob Melvin has named Kendall Graveman as the Opening Day starting pitcher...Graveman is scheduled to become Oakland's 11th different Opening Day starting pitcher in the last 12 years...he will be followed in the rotation by Sean Manaea, Jharel Cotton, Andrew Triggs and Raul Alcantara.

OPENING DAY NOTES: The A's will open their 50th season in Oakland on Monday, April 3 against Los Angeles (AL)...first pitch is at 7:05...have won 16 American League West titles, two AL Wild Cards, six AL pennants and four World Championships in Oakland...only the New York Yankees (18) and Atlanta Braves (17) have more division titles than the A's...since the A's moved to Oakland in 1968, only the Yankees (11) and Cardinals (8) have more league championships and only the Yankees have more world championships (7)...have lost 11 of their last 12 openers and are 5-18 in the first game of the season dating back to 1994...will face the Angels to start the season for the fifth time in Oakland history...are 2-2 in the previous four meetings, including a 3-2 win in the only game in Oakland on April 6, 1982...last faced the Angels on Opening Day on April 6, 2009 at Anaheim, a 3-0 loss.

OFF SEASON MOVES: The A's signed five free agents this offseason, including Matt Joyce (Nov. 30), Rajai Davis (Jan. 3), Trevor Plouffe (Jan. 18), Santiago Casilla (Jan. 20) and Adam Rosales (Jan. 25)...the A's also acquired one 40-man player via trade on Nov. 12 when they received Paul Blackburn from Seattle for Danny Valencia.

CONTRACT STATUS: The A's have four players under contract beyond the 2017 season...Santiago Casilla, Sean Doolittle, Matt Joyce and Ryan Madson are signed through 2018 with the A's holding club options on Doolittle for 2019 and 2020...Jed Lowrie has a club option for 2018.

A's MEDIA ALERTS: The A's Media Relations Department will provide frequent updates through its media-only Twitter account...for clubhouse hours, interview times and other media alerts, please follow @AsMediaAlerts...player transactions and other relevant game information will continue to be posted at @Athletics.

A's ON THE AIR: The A's radio network has three remaining broadcasts this spring, all against San Francisco in the Bay Area...two of the Giants games will air in the Bay Area on 95.7 FM The Game and the March 31 contest will air on 102.9 FM KBLX...Ken Korach returns for his 22nd year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (12th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 32nd season in the booth...CSN California has one remaining broadcast on April 1 against the Giants in Oakland (12:05 pm)...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site.

TRANSACTIONS

March 5	Michael Brady, Trey Cochran-Gill, Heath Fillmyer, Tucker Healy, Aaron Kurcz, A.J. Puk and Josh Smith reassigned to minor league camp
March 12	Renato Nuñez optioned to Nashville; Jermaine Curtis, Felix Doubront, Andrew Lambo, Richie Martin, Max Muncy, Zach Neal, Rangel Ravelo, Josh Rodriguez, Tyler Sturdevant and Kenny Wilson reassigned to minor league camp
March 13	Paul Blackburn, Jaycob Brugman, Yairo Muñoz and Bobby Wahl optioned to Nashville
March 17	Franklin Barreto, Matt Olson and Chad Pinder optioned to Nashville
March 19	Daniel Gossett, Matt McBride, Sean Murphy, Max Schrock and Chris Smith reassigned to minor league camp
March 26	Jesse Hahn and Bruce Maxwell optioned to Nashville; Ross Detwiler opts out of his minor league contract
March 27	Alejandro De Aza released

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TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER

#92 LOGAN SHORE RHP (1-0, 0.00 ERA)

Was called over from minor league camp today to make his second appearance in a Cactus League game...picked up the win in his other appearance on March 11 against Texas...entered the game to start the ninth inning with the score tied 7-7 and retired the side in order, including two strikeouts...Max Schrock had a pinch hit walk-off double in the bottom of the ninth for the win...was selected by the A's in the second round of the 2016 First-Year Player Draft out of the University of Florida...made his professional debut with Short Season Single-A Vermont of the New York/Penn League and went 0-2 with a 2.57 ERA in seven starts...struck out 21 batters in 21.0 innings and surrendered just one home run.

#71 SIMON CASTRO RHP (1-0, 3.68 ERA)

The non-roster invitee did not allow a run over his first eight outings (6.0 ip) before surrendering three in his last appearance Saturday at Los Angeles-NL (1.1 ip, 4 h, 3 r, 3 er, 1 bb, 3 so)...spent the entire 2016 season at Triple-A Albuquerque in the Colorado organization and was 0-5 with 10 saves and a 3.38 ERA in a career-high 50 appearances, all in relief...the saves were the first of his career and the ERA was his lowest as a minor leaguer since logging a 3.27 ERA in 2010...struck out 58 batters in 53.1 innings, an average of 9.79 per nine innings...walked just 12 for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 4.83...allowed a .255 opponents batting average, including .217 against right-handed hitters compared to .303 against left-handers...surrendered four of his five home runs to lefties and yielded just three extra base hits to righties (two doubles, one home run)...had a .261 slugging percentage against righties, .528 against lefties...converted 10-of-13 (76.9%) save opportunities...posted a 4.22 ERA in 31 games before the All-Star Break, a 2.11 ERA in 19 games after the break...pitched for Este in the Dominican Winter League following the season and had a save and a 2.84 ERA in 10 relief appearances.

#31 LIAM HENDRIKS RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Has not allowed an earned run in his six Cactus League appearances (6.1 ip)...did not allow a run over his first five before yielding an unearned in the eighth inning of his last outing last Friday against Chicago-AL (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 bb, 2 so)...opponents are 5-for-25 (.200) with one walk...also faced Italy in an exhibition game March 8 and retired the side in order (1.0 ip, 1 so)...compiled a 3.76 ERA and .270 opponents batting average in 53 relief appearances in his first season with the A's last year...had an 8.27 ERA and .394 opponents batting average in 11 games before going on the disabled list in early May with a strained right triceps...logged a 2.23 ERA and .222 opponents batting average in 42 games following his return from the DL...struck out 71 batters in 64.2 innings for the second consecutive season and matched his career high in strikeouts...has an average of 9.88 strikeouts per nine innings over his last two seasons after posting a mark of 5.87 over his first four seasons...walked just 14 (1.95 per nine innings) for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 5.07...posted a 0-4 record after going 5-0 in 2015...allowed just 5-of-34 (14.7%) inherited runners to score, which was the fourth lowest mark in the AL...first batters faced hit .231 with one walk (.245 on-base percentage)...his opponents batting average included a .228 mark against left-handed hitters compared to .297 against right-handers.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 28 at Los Angeles (AL)

Angels: RHP Bud Norris, RHP Deolis Guerra, RHP Mike Morin, LHP Jose Alvarez, RHP Blake Parker

March 29 at Chicago (NL)

A's: RHP Kendall Graveman, LHP Sean Doolittle
Cubs: RHP John Lackey

March 30 at San Francisco

A's: LHP Sean Manaea, RHP John Axford, RHP Liam Hendriks, LHP Daniel Coulombe, RHP Frankie Montas
Giants: RHP Johnny Cueto

March 31 at San Francisco

A's: RHP Jharel Cotton
Giants: RHP Jeff Samardzija

April 1 vs. San Francisco

A's: RHP Andrew Triggs, RHP Raul Alcantara
Giants: RHP Tyler Beede

2017 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL)	L, 3-4	0-1	Berg	C.Smith	14,929		March 16	at Cleveland	L, 5-6	10-7	McAllister	Triggs	6,314	
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-5	0-2	Miller	Kurcz	4,072	4,072	March 17	Arizona	L, 2-3	10-8	Bradley	Alcantara	8,210	60,694
Feb. 27	at San Francisco	W, 5-4	1-2	Castro	Suarez	7,385		March 18	San Diego	W, 2-1	11-8	Dull	Lee	7,303	67,997
Feb. 28	Cleveland	W, 5-4	2-2	J.Smith	Russell	3,108	7,180	March 19	at Colorado	L, 2-9	11-9	Gray	Hahn	8,682	
March 1	at San Diego	L, 0-5	2-3	Bawcom	Coulombe	1,864		March 20	Arizona	L, 6-10	11-10	Wilhelmsen	Detwiler	7,412	75,409
March 2	Texas	W, 5-1	3-3	Hahn	Hauschild	3,326	10,506	March 21	at Seattle	W, 8-5	12-10	Cotton	Heston	8,080	
March 3	San Francisco	W, 6-1	4-3	Graveman	Samardzija	8,203	18,709	March 22	at Chicago (AL)	W, 5-3	13-10	Triggs	Gonzalez	3,895	
March 4	Cleveland	L, 5-15	4-4	Clevinger	Manaea	6,707	25,416	March 23	Milwaukee	W, 15-5	14-10	Alcantara	Guerra	6,164	81,573
March 5	at Seattle	W, 5-4	5-4	Detwiler	DeJong	6,639		March 24	Chicago (AL)	W, 8-2	15-10	Graveman	Putnam	7,027	88,600
March 6	OFF DAY							March 25	Cincinnati	L, 6-11		Luetge	Doolittle	5,051	93,651
March 7	at Arizona	W, 21-13	6-4	Dull	Bradley	8,208			at Los Angeles (NL)	L, 6-11	15-12	Hatcher	Hahn	13,219	
March 8	Italy (WBC) (exhib.)	W, 7-0		Graveman	Oberto	3,204		March 26	at Milwaukee	W, 11-1	16-12	Cotton	Garza	5,552	
March 9	Cincinnati	W, 12-5	7-4	Manaea	Adelman	4,779	30,195	March 27	Kansas City	L, 3-10	16-13	Vargas	Cotton	5,357	99,008
March 10	at Kansas City	W, 11-7	8-4	Cotton	Hammel	6,507									
March 11	Texas	W, 8-7	9-4	Shore	Wolff	6,072	36,267	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV				
March 12	Chicago (NL)	W, 9-8	10-4	Montas	Pugliese	10,606*	46,873	March 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05					
March 13	at Cincinnati	L, 1-3	10-5	Garrett	Graveman	3,075		March 29	at Chicago (NL)	1:05					
March 14	Colorado	L, 3-4	10-6	Estevez	Coulombe	5,611	52,484	March 30	at San Francisco	7:15	95.7 FM	The Game/A's Radio Network			
March 15	OFF DAY							March 31	at San Francisco	7:15	102.9 FM	KBLX/A's Radio Network			
								April 1	San Francisco (at Oak)	12:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM	The Game/A's Radio Network			